UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA CENTRAL DIVISION

STACY HARTKOPF,	Case No. 14-252
Plaintiff,	
v. WEST ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.,) NOTICE OF REMOVAL
Defendant.)))

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441, and 1446, Defendant West Asset Management, Inc. ("West") by its attorney, hereby removes this action from the Iowa District Court for Polk County, to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa. In support of this Notice of Removal, West states as follows:

- 1. On or about June 2, 2014, Plaintiff, Stacy L. Hartkopf, originally commenced this action by filing an Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment, through her attorney Ashley Zubal, Marks Law Firm, P.C., against West in the Iowa District Court for Polk County, where it is presently captioned *Stacy Hartkopf v. West Asset Management Inc.*, Case No.: SCSC556630. No further proceedings before the state court have occurred.
- 2. In the Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment, Plaintiff alleges a statutory cause of action pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA") 15 U.S.C. §1692 et seq. and pursuant to the Iowa Debt Collection Practices Act

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("IDCPA") §537.5201 et seq. Attached as "Exhibit A" is a copy of the Original Notice

and Petition for a Money Judgment.

3. This Court has jurisdiction over Plaintiff's claim pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§

1331 and 1441 in that the claims are founded on a claim or right arising under the laws of

the United States. This Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiff's joined

common law claims, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441(c).

4. West received the Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment on or

about June 4, 2014. This Notice of Removal is timely, having been filed within thirty

(30) days of the date on which West received Plaintiff's Complaint. See 28 U.S.C. §

1446.

5. Notice of this Notice of Removal of this action is being immediately

provided to the Iowa District Court for Polk County. See "Exhibit B."

WHEREFORE, Defendant West Asset Management, Inc. gives notice that this

action is removed from the Iowa District Court for Polk County, to the United States

District Court for the Southern District of Iowa.

Dated: June 24, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 24, 2014, the foregoing **Notice of Removal** was served via U.S. regular mail on the Clerk of the Court and Plaintiff at the below addresses:

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Clerk of the Court

Iowa District Court – Polk County 500 Mulberry, Suite 408 Des Moines, Iowa 50309

/s/: Lance W. Lange

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